GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:178
ANSWERED ON:19.02.2003
AMENDMENT TO PREVENTION OF FOOD ADULTERATION ACT
RAMJI MANJHI

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an amendment to the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act is under the active consideration of the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be amended and the reasons for bringing about amendments in the act?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The amendments are under consideration and have not been finalized as yet.

(c) Amendment of the Act is a long drawn process. This process has been initiated. No timeframe can be laid for the new law. Action has been initiated to review the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 for considering necessary amendments to the Act, keeping in view the representations/suggestions received in this regard from various organizations and committees.